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SUBJECT: ENERGY CONSERVATION

1. IN HIS MAY 13 TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE COMMERCE COMMITTEE, SECRETARY OF COMMERCE DENT POINTED OUT THAT SAVINGS IN U.S. BUSINESS CONSUMPTION OF ENERGY COULD CONSERVE VERY SIGNIFICANT QUANTITIES OF OIL. FOLLOWING RESUME OF HIS TESTIMONY MAY THEREFORE BE USEFUL TO OECD SECRETARIAT (HAMILTON) IN PREPARING FOR THE UPCOMING FORECASTERS MEETING AND IN ELABORATING DEMAND ELASTICITY PROJECTIONS.

2. SECRETARY DENT STATED THAT BUSINESS COMMUNITY CONSUMES 70 PERCENT OF ALL ENERGY USED IN U.S. REALIZABLE ENERGY SAVINGS IN THIS AREA OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS ARE QUITE LARGE AND ENTIRELY ATTAINABLE -- 15 TO 20 PERCENT COULD BE SAVED IN THE INDUSTRIAL SECTOR (ON UNIT OF OUTPUT BASIS), 25 PERCENT IN COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS (BETTER DESIGN AND OPERATION) AND 15 TO 20 PERCENT SAVINGS IN BUSINESS CONTROLLED TRANSPORTATION ARE POSSIBLE. WERE ECONOMIES OF THIS NATURE AND MAGNITUDE ACHIEVED, THE SAVINGS TO THE UNCLASSIFIED

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U.S. IN TERMS OF 1973 USAGE WOULD BE THE EQUIVALENT

OF NEARLY 5 MILLION B/D. COMMERCE IN CONJUNCTION WITH
FEA IS NOW ACTIVELY PURSUING PROGRAMS TOWARD THESE ENDS. RUSH

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